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Title: SYNTHESIS OF A PARTICULATE COPOLYMER CONTAINING
HYDROPHOBIC FUNCTIONALITY

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

MAIL: AF

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this Amendment in response to the Final Office
Action mailed on May 8, 2006.

Authorization is hereby given to charge any additional fees or credit any
overpayments that may be deemed necessary to Deposit Account Number 50-1391.

**Please consider this as a Petition for an Extension of time and authorization
to debit Attorney Deposit Account No. 50-1391 for the amount of the petition fee, if
an extension of time is needed.**

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the
paper, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, with
sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450,
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